

## STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: This year marks the fourth annual observance of Fraud Awareness and Prevention Week, which is

set aside to raise awareness about the impact of fraud upon our society; and

WHEREAS: The Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, an organization dedicated to the mission of

 $reducing\ the\ incidence\ of\ fraud\ worldwide,\ estimates\ that\ a\ typical\ organization\ loses\ five\ percent$ 

of its revenues each year to fraud; and

WHEREAS: Local, state, and federal governments are frequent targets of fraud; and

WHEREAS: Instances of fraud in state government undermine the good work and reputations of all state

employees who complete their assigned duties with integrity and honesty; and

WHEREAS: Fraud against the State of Minnesota is a burden borne by businesses and individuals in the form

of increased costs; loss of public revenues and resources; and increased expenses associated with the investigation, prosecution, and eventual incarceration of individuals who commit fraud; and

WHEREAS: Tips received from employees are consistently the greatest source by which frauds are detected;

and

WHEREAS: Increasing employee awareness of fraud, and educating employees about fraud prevention and

detection and reporting techniques, is critical for reducing the incidence of fraud against and

within Minnesota state government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of November 12-18, 2017, as:

## FRAUD ÁWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this  $20^{\rm th}$  day of October.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE